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RESPONSE

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on November 14, 2002, please consider and enter the following remarks. Claims 1-5 and 7-17 remain pending.

In section 4 of the Office Action, claims 1-5, 7-10, and 12-17 were apparently rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Schieve et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,455,933, in view of Cheffetz et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,133,065. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claim 1 is directed to a computer program for a local computer, the computer program including a remote data recovery operating program and a communication program for establishing communication with a remote data recovery computer for diagnosing and rectifying data on the local computer. Claim 1 recites that the computer program is pre-recorded on a removable storage medium, the removable storage medium being loaded into a removable media storage device of a local computer. As noted in the previous Amendment, it is advantageous to pre-record the program on a removable storage medium to allow the program to be loaded into a removable media storage device of virtually any computer, amounting to a savings in cost and increased flexibility in use.



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